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SUBJECT:MIYAZAWA MEETING WITH SECRETARY

REF: STATE 7975G, TOKYO 4595

1. THE SECRETARY ENTERTAINED FOREIGN MINISTER MIYAZAWA AT WORKING LUNCH ON APRIL 11 AND AFTERWARD THE PRINCIPALS MET FOR FURTHER TALKS. PRESENT WERE THE SECRETARY, THE FOREIGN MINISTER, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY, AMB. HODGSON, AMB. YASUKAWA, ASST. SEC. HABIB, MR. ARITA AND MR. YAMAZAKI. HIGHLIGHTS OF TALKS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

2. SECURITY. MIYAZAWA ASKED FOR AND RECEIVED SECRETARY'S CONCURRENCE IN LANGUAGE OF PRESS GUIDANCE (STATE 7975G) ON OUR SECURITY TIES.

3. NPT. MIYAZAWA EXPLAINED STATUS OF NPT RATIFICATION IN DIET, BUT ASKED FOR NO RESPONSE FROM US SIDE.

4. MINIMUM OIL IMPORT PRICES. THE SECRETARY EXPLAINED WHY WE FAVORAN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON MINIMUM OIL IMPORT
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PRICES. HECLARIFIED THAT OUR PROPOSAL APPLIES TO MINIMUM

PRICES FOR OIL FROM NEW SOURCES WHICH MUST BE DEVELOPED AS ALTERNATIVES AND IS NOT INTENDED TO SUPPORT OPEC PRICES. HE SAID THAT JAPAN WOULD BE FREE TO BUY OPEC OIL AT AS LOW A PRICE AS IT COULD. MIYAZAWA SAID HE UNDERSTOOD RATIONALE.

5. GRAIN RESERVES. SECRETARY EMPHASIZED GRAIN RESERVES AS EFFECTIVE MEANS STABILIZE PRICE AND SUPPLY FLUCTUATIONS. HE CONCEDED THAT JAPAN MIGHT IN FUTURE HAVE TO SHARE SOME FOOD RESERVES WITH NEEDY LDCS BUT SHOULD ACCEPT THAT AS CONTRIBUTION TO AID.

6. MIDDLE EAST. THE SECRETARY DESCRIBED SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND BREAKDOWN OF TALKS ON EGYPT-ISRAEL AGREEMENT. HE SAID THAT WE ARE CONDUCTING A THOROUGH REAPPRAISAL OF THE ENTIRE ME SITUATION AND KEEPING A LOW PROFILE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. AFTER THAT WE WILL DECIDE WHAT THE NEXT STEPS SHOULD BE.

7. MIKI VISIT. SECRETARY SAID HE WOULD ENDEAVOR TO ARRANGE A VISIT FOR THE PRIME MINISTER IN THE AUGUST 1-10 TIME FRAME AND WAS SURE THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE. KISSINGER

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